

LSHK Newsletter

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30 years of the Linguistic Society of Hong Kong!

This is our thirtieth year as a formalized Linguistic Society in Hong Kong! We hope you will join us at this year's Annual Research Forum! It is also an important ARF as it is time to re-elect a new Executive Committee.

If you have not yet submitted your abstracts, the **abstract deadline is 10 November** so you still have time to come and contribute to the forum!

LSHK Annual Research Forum

Saturday 2 December 2017

HK Baptist University

30 years of the LSHK

Election of new ExComm!

Lunch and tea/snacks included in nominal registration fee.

**Abstract deadline:
Friday 10 November 2017**

In this edition of the newsletter, we will share news from LSHK. We hope to see you at one of the many upcoming conferences!

The next newsletter will be sent out in the new year, by a new newsletter editor!

We would like to thank you all for your vote of confidence to have us on the ExComm: it has been a pleasure and an honour to serve you as members of the LSHK Executive Committee.

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LSHK Annual Research Forum: Report from hosts at EdUHK



The 2016 Annual Research Forum (ARF), was held on Saturday 3 December 2016 at The Education University of Hong Kong. The ARF was well attended with nearly three dozen talks and two special sessions: (i) The Cantonese proficiency test and language policy in Hong Kong, chaired by Dr. Caesar Lun from the City University of Hong Kong, and (ii) Cantonese writing with special reference to the development of Cantonese writing tradition in the past two centuries.

The ARF included presentations from many researchers from both home and abroad. We would like to extend a heartfelt thanks to the EdUHK local organizing committee for their time and energy making the ARF such a success!

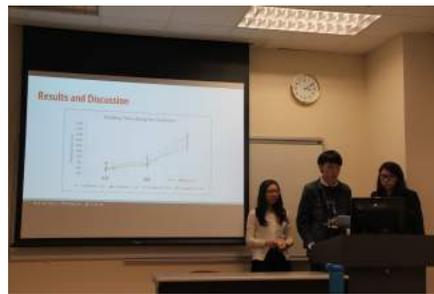
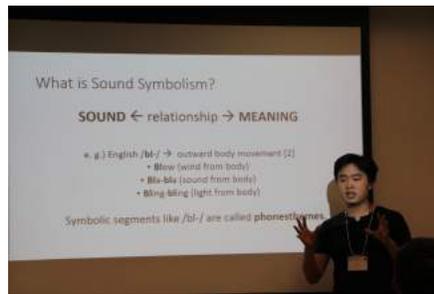
LSHK Outstanding Thesis Awards

Two awards were presented at the 2016 Annual Research Forum for outstanding theses. Dr. Cheng Siu Pong 鄭兆邦 was given an Outstanding Thesis Award for the PhD category for his thesis entitled 香港粵語動詞前後置成份的句法語義關係 (*The relationship of syntactic and semantic aspects of postverbal particles and their preverbal counterparts in Hong Kong Cantonese*). He completed his PhD at the Chinese University of Hong Kong under the supervision of Dr. Tang Sze-Wing.

Ms. Scarlet Li Wan Yee was given an Outstanding Thesis Award for the Masters category. Her thesis, *The relation of working memory, declarative memory and procedural memory as individual differences in second language acquisition*, was also completed at the Chinese University of Hong Kong under the supervision of Dr. Gloria Zhang. Congratulations again to Cheng Siu Pong and Scarlet Li Wan Yee!



LSHK President Dr. John Wakefield with Dr. Cheng Siu Pong and Ms. Scarlet Li; Special sessions in progress.



LSHK: 2017 Fieldwork subsidy award

LSHK Fieldwork Subsidy Award

The 2017 LSHK Fieldwork Subsidy Award was given to Ms. Hu Xiaojuan (胡小娟) at EdUHK for her work on **Multi-functionality of the Grammatical Morpheme *de* 得 in the Gan Dialects**

We can look forward to hearing about her work at next year's Annual Research Forum!

LSHK Annual Research Forum 2017: Thirty years on

This year's ARF is an opportunity to reflect upon thirty years of Linguistics in Hong Kong. It will be held on **Saturday 2 December 2017 at Hong Kong Baptist University**. We hope to see you there!

Presentations from the 2016 Fieldwork Subsidy Awardees

As required by the terms of the award, you can look forward to hearing about the work recently carried out by our 2016 Fieldwork Subsidy Award recipients. They are:

- Kim Kia (CUHK) for PhD work ‘新加坡潮汕方言的正反問句混合式’
- Joanna Mc Farland (HKU) for her MA work ‘On the syntax of Cambodian Chaozhou’
- Zhou Yingyi (HKUST) for PhD work on ‘The typology of tonal evolution of Northern Gan’



2017 ARF: Final call for papers

You are invited to submit an abstract to present at the 2017 LSHK ARF. Papers related to any area of linguistics will be considered for presentation of 15 minutes, followed by 5 minutes of questions.

Each member is entitled to present one single-author paper and plus one joint-author paper. Abstracts can be written in English or Chinese and should be limited to one A4 page. Please save as a .doc/.docx file and submit together with a .pdf file. Two copies of the abstract should be submitted: one anonymous copy for review and one that includes (i) name of the author(s), (ii) affiliation, and (iii) email address(es). Submissions should be sent to: lshk.arf@gmail.com.

For enquiries, please contact us by email at lshk.linguists@gmail.com.

The deadline for LSHK-ARF 2017 abstract submissions is Friday 10 November 2017.

Please note that you are required to be a member to participate in the ARF. You can enroll online or at the conference, but we encourage you to register and enroll online at <https://www.lshk.org/membership>

Workshop on Cantonese (WOC-17) a success!

The Seventeenth Annual Workshop on Cantonese (WOC-17) was held at Hong Kong Baptist University on Saturday, April 22, 2017 in the David C. Lam Building (DLB 719). WOC-17 was co-sponsored by the Linguistic Society of Hong Kong, HKBU's Department of English Language and Literature, and HKBU's Faculty of Arts. There were speakers from Hong Kong Baptist University, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, The Education University of Hong Kong, the University of Tsukuba, and the University of British Columbia. The theme of WOC-17 was "The Teaching and Learning of Cantonese as an Additional Language" and some of the presented papers will be published in an edited volume that has been accepted for publication by Routledge, titled *Cantonese as a Second Language: Issues, Experiences and Suggestions for Teaching and Learning*.

Upcoming: 22nd International Conference on Yue dialects

The 22nd International Conference on Yue dialects will be held at the **Education University of Hong Kong** on **December 8-9, 2017**. The conference is organized by EdUHK's Department of Linguistics and Modern Language Studies, and the Centre for Research on Linguistics and Language Studies. Globalization is the theme of this year's conference but all areas of linguistics related to Cantonese and other Yue dialects will be covered in the programme, with a particular focus on digital humanities and Cantonese, Cantonese teaching and learning, Cantonese literature/literary writing in Cantonese and Studies, of early Cantonese texts.

There are four keynote speakers:

- Professor Marjorie Chan: *Dr. Sun Yat-sen's 1924 Cantonese speech: A small corpus-based study of contact-induced language variation.*
- Professor Ching May Bo: 城市之聲「西關音」：由省而及滬
- Professor Benjamin Tsou 從「叮噹」到「叮鈴噹啣」探索粵語與百越關係

More information can be found in both Chinese and English online at the conference website: <https://www.eduhk.hk/lml/yue2017/index.html> Registration can also be completed online via a link on the website.

Thank you for reading the latest LSHK Newsletter – see you at the ARF!